



RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL MEETING NO. 3 DATED MARCH 1, 2016

MOTION

**(1) REQUEST THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO
TO LIMIT THE JURISDICTION OF THE
ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD (13.2 & 10.0)**

- 1) That the City of Markham request that the Province of Ontario undertake a public review of the mandate and jurisdiction of the Ontario Municipal Board to ensure that the OMB is respectful of municipal planning policies and local decision making and complies with Provincial Policy; and,
- 2) That the Provincial review include consideration of the amount of costs that may be awarded to ensure fairness for community participants in the appeal process; and,
- 3) That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Patrick Brown, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party; the Honourable Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party; and all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; and further,
- 4) That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); York Region Council and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kimberley Kitteringham'.

Kimberley Kitteringham
City Clerk

Copy to: The Honourable Premier Kathleen Wynne
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Town of Aurora
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February 2, 2016

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

DELIVERED BY E-MAIL TO:
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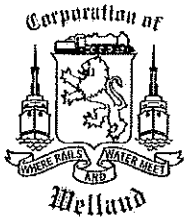
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March 7, 2016

File No. 16-64

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Attention: Stephen M. A. Huycke, Town Clerk

Dear Mr. Huycke:

RE: March 1, 2016 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL

At its meeting of March 1, 2016, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

"THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the request from the Town of Aurora dated February 2, 2016 regarding Motion (a) Ontario Municipal Board Jurisdiction."

Yours truly,

Tara Stephens
Acting City Clerk

TS:cp

- cc:
- Councillor M.A. Grimaldi
 - G. Munday, Planning Supervisor
 - R. Di Felice, Planning Manager
 - Niagara Region, Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk
 - Niagara Regional Municipalities



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Township of Wainfleet

"Wainfleet - find your country side!"

March 10th, 2016

Nancy J. Bozzato, Town Clerk
Town of Pelham
P.O. Box 400
Fonthill, ON L0S 1E0

VIA EMAIL to: njbozzato@pelham.ca

RE: Resolution Regarding the Establishment of Active Transportation

Dear Mrs. Bozzato,

Thank you for your recent correspondence, received by our office on February 24th, 2016. Please be advised that Council for the Township of Wainfleet, at its meeting held on March 8th, 2016, passed the following resolution:

THAT correspondence item no. 079 from the Town of Pelham regarding a resolution passed by its Council on February 16th, 2016 requesting that the Greater Niagara Circle Route assist in the establishment of a link from the Circle Route to the Steve Bauer Trail and requesting the support of Niagara municipalities, be received;

AND THAT Council for the Township of Wainfleet does hereby support said resolution.

Trusting this information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,



Sarah Smith
Acting Clerk

cc (via email): Local Area Municipalities
Councillor D. Bruce Timms c/o Clerks Department, Niagara Region



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March 7, 2016

via email: ehoskins.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org

Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
10th Floor, Hepburn Block
80 Grosvenor Street
Toronto ON M7A 2C4

Attention: The Honourable Eric Hoskins
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

Dear Mr. Hoskins,

**Re: Motion to Support The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
Resolution – Increase of Funding to Long Term Care Facilities**

The Council of The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, at its regular meeting held on February 29, 2016, lifted for discussion a resolution from the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands regarding a request to the province to increase funding to long term care facilities.

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of The Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake supports the resolution brought forward by the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands requesting an increase of funding to long term care facilities.

On behalf of Council we look forward to a favourable response.

Yours sincerely,

Holly Dowd,
Director of Corporate Services/Town Clerk

Attch.

copy: The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

TOWNSHIP OF GILLIES RR#1, 1092 Hwy. 595, Kakabeka Falls, Ontario P0T 1W0

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March 1, 2016

Re: Resolution from the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

At the regular meeting of the Township of Gillies held February 22nd, 2016, Council considered correspondence regarding a resolution adopted by the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands Council supporting the request to the Province to increase funding to Long Term Care Facilities.

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed at the meeting:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016/047

Moved by Councillor Wendy; Seconded by Councillor Groenheide:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the resolution as passed by The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands on February 15th 2016 which supports a request to the Province to increase funding to Long Term Care Facilities

AND THAT copies of this Resolution be sent to the Minister of Health, MPP Bill Mauro, UCCMM and all municipalities in Ontario **CARRIED**

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 807-475-3185 or gillies@tbaytel.net.

Sincerely,



Shara Lavallée
Clerk

The Town of
NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN
and the ISLANDS

Municipal Office
14 Water Street East

PO Box 608
Little Current, ON
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Resolution No. 34-02-15

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: D. Orr

Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands supports the following resolution forwarded from the Manitoulin Centennial Manor and forward a copy of this resolution on to Minister of Health, Dr. Eris Hoskins, MPP Michael Mantha, other municipalities, First Nations and UCCMM for support.

Whereas funding requests from member municipalities was frozen from 2010-2011 resulting in a zero growth budget;

And Whereas funding increases from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care has been increased but not kept pace with increases in costs to Long Term Care Facilities including staff salaries and benefits;

And Whereas Long Term facilities are one of the most important aspects of eldercare in the Province's care scheme;

And Whereas Capital renewal funding needs to be provided to ensure facility standards are maintained;

And Whereas additional funding is required by the LTC's to meet increased costs for Behavioral Services Ontario (BSO) to better manage dementia and mental health care;

And Whereas funding has not been provided to provide Alternate Care for complex health conditions requiring specialized staff and equipment such as IV therapy or tube feeding especially in smaller facilities;

And Whereas attracting and maintaining adequate staff requires recognition of the partnerships that exist between the LTC's and the health sector;

And Whereas fundraising campaigns have not met the needs of the Manitoulin Centennial Manor in its efforts to maintain superior care for its residents;

Be it resolved that the Board request its member municipalities support a request to the Province to increase funding to Long Term Care Facilities in keeping with the foregoing;

And Further that this request be forwarded to the Manitoulin Municipal Association for whatever action they deem necessary;

Carried



The Corporation of The Town of Amherstburg

March 8, 2016

VIA EMAIL

The Honourable Kathleen O. Wynne
Premier of Ontario
Queen's Park, Rm. 281
Main Legislative Building
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne,

Please be advised that at its meeting held on March 7, 2016, Town of Amherstburg Council passed the following motion:

Resolution # 20160307-98 - That Council DIRECT Administration to forward correspondence in support of the Town of Aurora's resolution regarding Ontario Municipal Board Jurisdiction.

Regards,

Tammy Fowkes
Deputy Clerk

cc: The Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Patrick Brown, Leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Party
Andrea Horvath, Leader of the Ontario NDP
Tracey Ramsey, NDP, MP for Essex
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Attached: Town of Aurora motion re: Ontario Municipal Board Jurisdiction



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February 16, 2016

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Provincial Minister of Transportation
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**Re: Urge VIA Rail and Federal Government to Restore Effective VIA Train Service in
Niagara**
Our File No.: 35.31.62

Please be advised that the Council of the City of St. Catharines, at the meeting of February 8, 2016, unanimously supported the following motion which was Moved by Councillor Williamson and Seconded by Councillor Bellows:

"Whereas the travelling public is better served by having a variety of transportation choices; and

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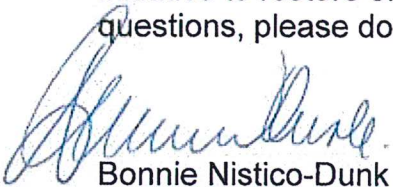
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The Mayor and Council of the City of St. Catharines is requesting your support in our initiative to restore effective VIA Rail service in Niagara. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at extension 1506.



Bonnie Nistico-Dunk
City Clerk

cc: CEO of VIA Rail, Mr. Yves Desjardins-Siciliano
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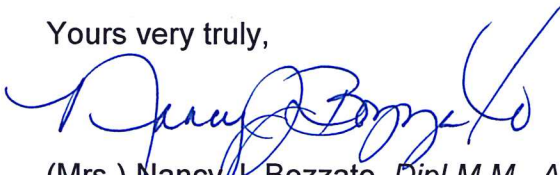
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Communication Item #11.5.2 be received;

**AND THAT the resolution contained therein passed by the Council of the City of
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the Provincial Minister of Transportation, VIA Rail, Prime Minister Trudeau, Local
MP's, Minister Bradley, Local MPP's, the Region of Niagara and to local Niagara
Municipalities.**

On behalf of Council, thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



(Mrs.) Nancy J. Bozzato, *Dipl.M.M., AMCT*
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From the Clerk's Department



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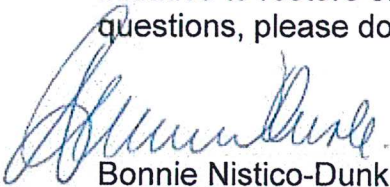
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